

ABSTRACT

SYSTEM AND METHOD TO MONITOR AMOUNT OF USAGE OF APPLICATIONS IN  
LOGICAL PARTITIONS

A system, method and program product for determining an amount of usage of applications in an LPAR in a computer system and a bill for such usage. A guest operating system executes in the LPAR. The guest operating system dispatches a plurality of applications in the LPAR. The guest operating system or other program executing in the LPAR determines information indicative of an amount of usage of each of the applications. Based on the information, an amount of usage of each of the applications is reported to a billing function. The billing function determines a bill for each of the applications based on the amount of usage of each of the applications. An amount of usage of the LPAR is determined based on system data, without using application usage information determined by the guest operating system or the other program in the LPAR. The total usage of all of the applications in the LPAR is determined based on the information determined by the guest operating system or the other program in the LPAR. The total usage of all of the applications is compared to an amount of usage of the LPAR based on the system data, to audit the amount of usage of the applications in the LPAR or a charge based on the amount of usage of the applications.